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PERFECTED CLOSURE OF BINDER RINGS

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Sir:

Pursuant to the Duty to Disclose under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the references cited on the accompanying form PTO-1449 are hereby brought to the attention of the Examiner for independent evaluation. The references were cited in the specification and their relevancy is set forth therein. Pursuant to the Official Gazette Notice dated August 5, 2003, Applicant is not required to submit copies of these references.

Applicant submits that the present invention is patentable over these references.

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Respectfully Submitted,



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